

House Resolution No. 4748

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous pleasure in recognizing those governmental employees who have brought honor to the Show-Me State through their professionalism and willingness to intervene in life-threatening situations; and

Whereas, Corrections Officer I Jason Nelson of Camdenton, Missouri, will be awarded the Department of Corrections Lifesaver Award during ceremonies to be held on December 16, 2003, at the Tipton Correctional Center; and

Whereas, on June 5, 2003, CO I Nelson was assigned to one of the dining rooms at Tipton Correctional Center when he observed an offender choking on a piece of food; and

Whereas, CO I Nelson immediately went to the offender to determine if he was indeed choking, and upon confirming that he was, CO I Nelson began performing the Heimlich Maneuver; and

Whereas, following his third attempt, CO I Nelson was able to dislodge the food and restore breathing to the offender, thereby saving his life; and

Whereas, CO I Nelson responded to the life-threatening situation with the proper action that he learned in his Department training, which reflects the professionalism and dedication of all staff members; and

Whereas, CO I Nelson commenced his career with the Department of Corrections on July 18, 2000, since which time he has also enjoyed recognition by being named Employee of the Month for July 2003 and being a recipient of the Dudley Award; and

Whereas, CO I Nelson has been blessed with the love and support he has continually received from his wonderful wife, Christine M. Nelson:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the training and practices of Corrections Officer I Jason Nelson and to congratulate him upon his well-deserved selection for the Department of Corrections Lifesaver Award; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Corrections Officer I Jason Nelson, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Wayne Cooper, M.D.
District No. 155

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4748, adopted December 2, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker